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AN EVALUATION TEAM MAY USE THIS INSTRUMENT IN IDENTIFYING STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES IN A DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE. INSTRUCTIONS ON PREPARING FOR THE EVALUATION, INVITING PARTICIPANTS, AND DISTRIBUTING SUMMARIES ARE INCLUDED. SECTIONS ARE INCLUDED FOR DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM--(1) MAINTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE SCHOOL PERSONNEL, (2) PLANNING AND DEVELOPING A VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE PROGRAM, (3) ORGANIZING FOR TEACHING, (4) DEVELOPING SUPERVISED FARMING PROGRAMS AND OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCES, (5) ADVISING THE FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA PROGRAM, (6) PROVIDING AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS TRAINING, (7) SUPERVISING THE YOUNG-ADULT PROGRAM, (8) ADMINISTERING PHYSICAL FACILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND (9) PROMOTING PUBLIC RELATIONS IN VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE. SPACE FOR SUMMARIZING THE APPRAISAL IS PROVIDED. EACH SECTION INCLUDES A GUIDING PRINCIPLE AND SPACE FOR RECORDING SPECIFIC FACTS AND FIGURES, SELECTED TRENDS, AND RESULTS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS OR COMMENDATIONS. (JM)



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School		Teacher/s	
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This instrument was developed by the Agricultural Education Section of the Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg, in cooperation with the Agricultural Education Department at The Pennsylvania State University, in 1960 and revised in 1965.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Continuous evaluation is necessary for good teaching. This instrument was designed for the purpose of making a rather comprehensive evaluation of a department of vocational agriculture in which strengths and weaknesses of the program might be identified. This evaluation shall be made every five years. It is recognized that perhaps the greatest good coming from an evaluation of this type is the preparation made by the teacher prior to the evaluation.

Suggestions for Preparing for the Evaluation

The local teacher in cooperation with the area supervisor should obtain permission of the chief school administrator for making the evaluation. A date should be selected for the evaluation which would not interfere with normal school operations.

Persons Who Should be Invited to Participate in the Evaluation Include:

- 1. Area Supervisor of Agricultural Education, Chairman
- 2. County or District Superintendent of Schools
- 3. An "outside" Area Supervisor of Agricultural Education
- 4. Teacher Trainer in Agricultural Education from The Pennsylvania State University
- 5. A Local School Administrator
- 6. A Local School Board Member (farmers if possible)

The local teacher should be provided a copy of the evaluation instrument in advance in order that he have recorded and/or on hand by the time of the evaluation all information requested in the instrument. Interviews with FFA members, young farmers, and school officials should be arranged by the local teacher as needed in order to supply facts and information to the committee.

Each member of the evaluation committee shall be furnished a copy of the evaluation instrument, and make notes on his copy as the evaluation progresses. A summary copy of the instrument shall be prepared which would be the composite thinking of the entire committee.

Copies of this summary copy should be sent to:

- 1. Local School Administrators for the School Board
- 2. County or District Superintendent
- 3. Area Supervisor of Agricultural Education
- 4. Agricultural Education Department, The Pennsylvania State University
- 5. A copy of this summary must be filed with the Agricultural Education Section, Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg.

MAINTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Guiding Principle: Teachers of vocational agriculture should cooperate in planning the local school program and share responsibility with other school personnel in putting the plans into effect in order to offer maximum educational opportunities for the community.

1. Some Facts and Figures

Written reports of departmental activities presented to local school authorities.

		Principal and/or	Board of Education	Area Advisor	On Time
	<u>Reports</u>	Supt.			ļ <u> </u>
	Preliminary Project				
	Project Summary				
	Monthly and Annual Activities			·	
	Monthly Expenses				ļ
	FFA Program of Work				
	Monthly and Annual Young-Adult Farmer				<u></u>
	Annual FFA Activities				<u> </u>
	Status of Former Students				<u> </u>
	Faculty Committees of which the teacher General School duties regularly assumed				
			2 yrs.	Last	This
			ago	<u>Year</u>	Year
2.	Selected Trends		19	19	19
	Per cent of local faculty meetings attention No. of times Vo-Ag Program was presented No. of cooperative projects completed wi	to faculty	·		***************************************
	departments in the school No. of school improvement activities con		A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	***************************************	appropri memperina
	such as Turf Management				
3.	Results				
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Use local interviews, observations, and disc of results. Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Good; 3 - Average; 2 - Fair; 1 - Poor.

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- 1. The ag. teacher actively participates in the total school program.
- 2. Other school personnel understand the complete vo-ag program.
 - 3. Vo-ag is an integral part of the total school program.
- 4. Mutual cooperation exists between the vo-ag teacher and school personnel in promoting the welfare of the school.

5 4 3 2 1	To what extent does the vo-ag teacher cooperate in planning the local program of the school, and share responsibility in putting it into effect?
Recommendation	s and/or Commendations

II. PLANNING AND DEVELOPING A VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE PROGRAM

Guid	ling Principle:	The program should be planned wit	h school and community represen-
tati	Lves. Problems	and needs should be considered in	terms of accepted objectives.
Prog	gress toward loa	ng and short time objectives should	be continuously evaluated.
1.	Some Facts and	Figures	
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	Is a written co	ourse of study used as a guide in t	the program?
	Has factual in	formation been compiled on the educ	cational and agricultural sicuation
	in the communi	ty? Yes or No Explain	
	Has the program	m been systematically evaluated?	
	Explain	d community representatives assiste	d in planning and evaluating the
	Have school an	d community representatives assiste	ed in plainting and evaluating the
	departmental p	rogram? Explain off-farm agricultural occupation	and part of the vorag curriculum?
	Yes or No _	_ Explain	
^	out and mand	1_	
2.	Selected Trend	18	
	A complete pro	ogram of agricultural education is	offered:
	W combiere bro	gram or agricultural concensus 10	2 yrs. Last This
			<u> </u>
			ago <u>Year</u> <u>Year</u> 19 19 19
	No. of non vo-	ag students given personal or	
	vocational gui	Idance (Jr. Ag. Program)	
	All-day Enroll		
	Young-Adult Fa	armer Enrollment	and the contraction of the contr
	Hours spent in	n professional improvement meetings	
	Days spent in	noncredit in-service workshops	
	Hours of gradu	uate credit earned	
3.	Results		
			one as a basis for your appraisal
	Use local inte	erviews, observations, and discussi Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4	- Cood: 3 - Average: 2 - Fair:
		Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4	, - Good, J - Average,
	1 - Poor.		
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	5 4 3 2 1	The department offers a complete v	o-ag program.
	· · · · · I·	School and community representative	ves are helping in evaluating and
	2.	developing the vo-ag program.	• •
	3	The teacher shows professional gro	owth.
		The weather brown production	
IT		To what extent does the vo-ag prog	gram include planning and contin-
5	4 3 2 1	would evaluation with the school ar	nd community representatives,
	. • -	with emphasis on planning for need	ds in terms of long and short
		term objectives?	
Re	commendations a	ind/or Commendations	
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III. ORGANIZING FOR TEACHING

Guiding I	Princi	ple: Clas	sroom	teachir	ng should	l bring a	about (hinking	g and t	underst	anding
on the pa	art of	students.	shoul	d help	develop	abilitie	es nece	ssary t	to far	ming and	d.
agricult	ural o	ccupations	, and	shou 1d	involve	individu	ial and	group	plann	ing and	
evalustic	on.						~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~				

1. Some Facts and Figures

The schedule is so arranged to permit ag, students to tal	ke courses	that are	3
required for college entrance.			
When were the department files last revised?			
Number of times teacher grades notebooks per class per y	ear		
Number of field trips taken per class per year	•		
Number of times organized local project or demonstration	data were		
presented per class per year			
Average number of different teaching aids used per class	per day		
Percent of teaching directly related to student farming	programs a	nd	
agriculture occupational needs and opportunities			
Adequate comprehensive permanent records are kept for pr	esent and		
former students		المنسونين المناونين	
List methods of teaching commonly us	Special Annual Assessment Contraction		
Is a recent course of study on file with the area superv	ií ?		
Selected Trends	2 yrs.	Last	This
Delected liends	ago	Year	Year
	19	19	Year 19
Hours of time spent per week in planning for teaching		-	
Are lessons taught with a unit and/or lesson plan?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Number of new reference books placed in the department		distr yang distributions	
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3. Results

library

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Use local interviews, observations, and discussions as a basis for your appraisal of results. Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Good; 3 - Average; 2 - Fair; 1 - Poor.

- 5 4 3 2 1
- 1. A variety of teaching aids is being used.
- 2. Lessons are being planned adequately.

Number of agricultural periodicals received by the

Number of comprehensive (other than quizzes) paper and

department monthly -- list how they are used

Number of students enrolled in college

pencil tests administered

- . . . 3. Supplementary aids are available and orderly.
- 4. College bound ag. students have the opportunity to take courses required for college entrance.

5 4 3 2 1	To what extent does the classroom teaching serve the students in the community through increasing their skills and abilities in farming, in college, other agricultural occupations and their ability to think, plan and evaluate?
Recommendations	and/or Commendations

IV. DEVELOPING SUPERVISED FARMING PROGRAMS AND/OR OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCES

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prov	vide the individu	The Supervised Farming Program and/or Cual student with useful farm or occupate capital needed for establishment in far	ional exper	iences as	well	
-57	Some Facts and	Figures:			This	
					Year	
	Number of stude	nts with written farming program plans nts in a supervised occupational experi	ence		CHARLES AND ASSESSED.	
	Number of stude	nts with a parent and son agreement				
	Average labor i	ncome per student per year from farming	g program			
	Average income	per student per year from occupational	experiences	3	-	
2.	Selected Trends	•	2 yrs.	Last	This	
4.	Defected fremes	•	ago	Year	Year	
			19	19	19	
		visits per high school student				
	per year	ational experience visits per				
	student per yea	r	-			
	Average number	of productive projects per student				
	per year meetin	g state minimum standards	-	entertrett.		
	job training	of hours students spend in on-the-		-		
	Number of gradu	lates who enter the business of				
	farming yearly					
	Number of gradu	lates who enter agricultural				
	occupations our	ner than farming				
3.	Results:					
	Use local inter of results. Ev 1 - Poor.	rviews, observations, and discussions avaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Go	s a basis o ood; 3 - Ave	f your ap rage; 2 -	praisal Fair ;	
	5 4 3 2 1					
	1.	The supervised farming and/or occupation of the department provide a basis for abilities in agriculture basic to the	teaching th	ence prog le skills	rams and	
	2.	Supervised farming programs and/or occurrenting in improvement of the student	cupational e	experience shment or	s are em-	
	3.	ployment in agriculture. Supervised farming programs and/or occuprofitable enough to materially aid programs.	cupational e	experience arting in	s are an	
		contoultural vocation.				
	4.	Supervised farming programs and/or ocvide pupil's experience in managing a	cupational e gricultural	experience businesse	s pro-	
w		To what extent does the supervised fa	rming progr	am and/or		
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12	4 3 Z I	experiences and lead toward establish	ment in agr	icultural		
		occupations.				
Re	ecommendations ar	nd/or Commendations:				

ADVISING THE FFA PROGRAM

	ding Principles: The FFA chapter program should provide a eriences necessary to develop effective rural citizenship.		with th	ose
	Some Facts and Figures:			This
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	Date program of work was distributed to members			2001
	Percent of stated goals completed in last annual program	of work		***************************************
	Number of social, recreational, or civic meetings held or			400000
	in addition to regular chapter meetings	G C C C X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X		
	Number of boys who receive the National Future Farmer Mag	azine		
	Number of summer meetings June through August			-
	Number of different group exhibits and demonstrations at etc.	fairs, sho	ws,	amentalen
	Total chapter budget approved			
	Number of newspaper items and TV and radio programs used FFA	in publica	izi.ng	rymperym <u>um ettirale</u>
	Percent of vo-ag students enrolled in FFA			
	Number of American farmers			***************************************
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2.	Selected Trends:	2 yrs.	Last	This
		ago	Year	Year
		19	19	19
	Total Chapter membership			
	Number of regular meetings held		-	
	Average percent of attendance at meetings		7,	%
	Number of students serving on more than one committee			
	Number of members participating in FFA activities			
	beyond the chapter level			
	Chapter rating in State (National FFA foundation form)			
	Standard, Superior, or National	-	*********	
	Number of (Local) awards given for proficiency in rural			
	leadership			
	Number of members applying for the State Farmer Degree			
3.	Results:			
	Use local interviews, observations, and discussions as a	basis for	your ap	praisal
	of results. Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Good;	3 - Avera	ge: 2 -	Fair;
	1 - Poor.		0,	_ •
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	1. The Chapter meetings are interesting to me	mbers.		
	2. The students assume responsibility for cha	pter opera	tion.	
	3. The chapter program is adapted to the lead	ership nee	ds of th	e
	members.			
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	The FFA Chapter program provides all membe	rs with th	ose expe	T Terres
5	necessary for effective rural citizenship.			,
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Re	commendations and/or Commendations:			
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VI. PROVIDING AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS TRAINING

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Numi	or use on	the farm or other agricul lustive procedures used i	n teaching agricult	ural mech	anics	***************************************
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Cı	ıltural ma	chinery or equipment		**************************************	-	
		dents who own agricultura	l machinery			
aı	nd/or equi	pment			-	*****
Numi	ber meetir	igs of young-adult classes	held in shop			
Numi	ber of stu	dents establishing or mak	ing major			
i	mprovement	s in home farm shop and/o	r agricultural			
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VII. SUPERVISING THE YOUNG-ADULT PROGRAM

thro	ing Principle: The Young-Adult Farmer Program should se ugh increasing their proficiency in agriculture as well	as in leade	ership, ci	ivic,
and	social responsibility.			This
1.	Some Facts and Figures:			Year
	A planned course of study was followed Number of improved practices per farmer resulting from i Number of special, social, recreational, or civic meetin Number of summer meetings April-October inclusive Number of group field trips and or-farm demonstrations Number of meetings of planning committees Number of sessions in which resource persons were used Number of years of affiliation with Pennsylvania Young I Association Number of newspaper items in publicizing the programs List number of specialized agricultural classes with specialized agricultural classes with specialized objectives	gs Farmers		
2.	Selected Trends:	2 yrs. ago 19	Iast Year 19	Thi Yea
	Number of instructional meetings held	ر، ب د		
	Average attendance at instructional meetings		*****	
	Total enrollment		elepope de calabration	
	Number of instructional visits per farmer per year	-		
	Number of instructional visits made to prospective			
	members per year Number of members affiliated with the PYFA			
	Number of members arrayance area		·	
3.	Results:			
	Use local interviews, observations, and discussions as of results. Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Good 1 - Poor.	a basis fo l; 3 - Aver	r your appage; 2 -	p r ai Fair
	 5 4 3 2 1 1. The meetings are regularly held and varies 2. The members are making desirable changes ations as a result of the course. 3. The members are developing further competional, civic, and leadership responsibilities. 	tency in so	cial, rec	rea-
5	To what extent does the young-adult prog through increasing its proficiency in ag civic, and social responsibilities.	ram serve t riculture a	the communas well as	nity 3 in
n -	commendations and/or Commendations:			
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VIII. ADMINISTERING PHYSICAL FACILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT

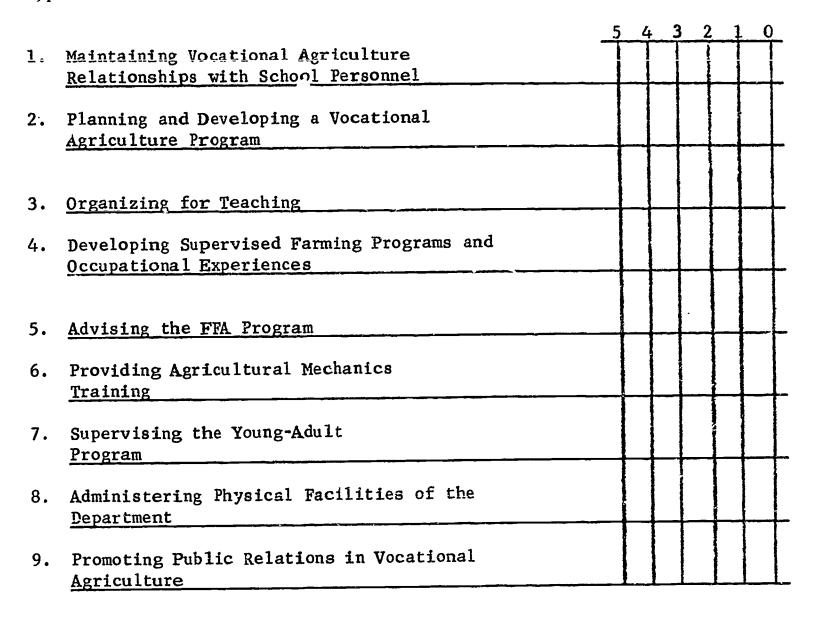
Guiding Principle:	Each teach	er of agricult	ure should plan	, organize, and use to best
				effectively and adapt them
to the needs of th			<u>-</u>	
1. Some Facts and	Figures:			
Inventories of	department	facilities are	available and	up to date (check)
Reference Book	List	Laboratory Su	pply List	Unloading Ramp
Farm Mechanics	List	Teaching Aids		Hot Beds
		Telephone		Outside Fence in
Use of filing	system (chec		·····	Storage & Work Area
Department Rec	ords	Reference Boo	ks	Greenhouse
Bulletin Libra	ry	Teaching Aids		Experimental Plots
Follow-up reco	rds of each	student (all d	ay and adults)	are used
Requisitions f	or books, bu	ll etins, suppl	ies, tools and	equipment are prepared
and presented	each year			
		-		shop equip. \$
			\$ misc. fu	
A list of need	ed major imp	rovements in p	hysical facilit	ies has been prepared
Date of prepar			•	
		available for	c1 sroom use (
Motion picture			Chart making e	
Slide and film	strip projec	tor	Flannel boards	and the same
Opaque project			Tape recorder	
Room darkening	equipment		Overhead proje	ector
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-		-		property were approved in
		_	school administ	
			ent, teacher, an	d equipment?
Is adequate tr	-	_		and the state of t
Is agricultura	1 mechanics	shop used to s	store school equ	ipment?
2. Selected Trend				••
Major improvem	ments made in	school facili	ties during the	e preceding year:
Waine demande	onte modo in	alegaroom for	ilities during	the last year.
major improvem	ients made in	Classioon ia	tilities duling	the last year.
				
3. Results:				
J. Results.				
Use local inte	rviews obse	ervations, and	discussions as	a basis for your appraisal
of results. E	Evaluation Sc	ale: 5 - Exce	ellent: 4 - Good	i; 3 - Average; 2 - Fair;
1 - Poor.	, varaacron bo			
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5 4 3 2 1				
	A desirable	e learning envi	ronment has bee	en provided in the classroom
	and shop.			•
,		ised the vocati	lonal agricultur	re facilities help in
		and improving		•
3.				y selected, properly
, , , , , ,			eniently stored.	
		,	,	
	Physical fa	cilities for	teaching vocation	onal agriculture are adapted
5 4 3 2 1	to the need	ls of the lear	ners and they ar	re planned, organized, and
J 7 J & 1			y the teacher ar	
Recommendations ar				
Meconmicitations at	, or comment	—		

IV. PROMOTING PUBLIC RELATIONS IN VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

Guid	ing Principle: A correlated, continuous and well-organize	d effort	18 made	60	
deve	lop understanding and favorable attitudes toward the progr	am of voc	actonar	1	
agri	culture on the part of the school and community.				
1.	Some Facts and Figures:				
	Number of different publications which carried news articles of department activities Number of articles concerning various areas of the program: Agricultural mechanics Classroom teaching Farming programs Other Young-adult farmer activities Number of articles written in school newspaper Number of articles written by teacher				
	Number of articles written by students			***************************************	
	Number of programs given to school and community groups List the different agricultural agencies that work in cooperation				
	with vocational agricultural departments				
	With vocational agricultural departments				
2.	Selected Trends:	2 yrs. <u>ago</u> 19	Last <u>Year</u> 19	This Year 19	
	List civic, service, and farm organizations of which				
	the teacher is a member	-	-	***************************************	
	Number of civic organization programs in which the FFA				
	narticinated			***************************************	
	Number of civic organization programs in which the YFA				
	participated				
	Number of news articles written per year		************		
	Number of radio and/or TV programs given Number of window displays and/or demonstrations		-		
	Number of window displays and/or demonstrations				
3.	Results:	_		• 1	
Use local interviews, observations, and discussions as a basis for your appraof of results. Evaluation Scale: 5 - Excellent; 4 - Good; 3 - Average; 2 - Fail - Poor.					
5 4 3 2 1 1. The program of vocational agriculture is well presented school and community.				the	
	2. The program of public relations is well balanced. 3. The public relations program is a cooperative effort. 4. Public relations activities in vocational agriculture are closely correlated with the public relations program of the school.				
f	Is there a correlated, continuous and well	-organize	d effort	to	
5 4	develop understanding and favorable attitute of vocational agriculture on the part of the standard development of	des cowar	u the pr	OBLUM.	
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Re	commendations and/or Commendations				
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X. SUMMARY OF THE APPRAISAL

Evaluations of the various areas of the program may be obtained from the final results at the bottom of each of the preceding pages. Record these on the scale. Draw a heavy line connecting each point. This is a profile of the appraisal.



(5 - Excellent; 4 - Good; 3 - Average; 2 - Fair; 1 - Poor)

SUMMARY APPRAISAL OR COMMENTS: